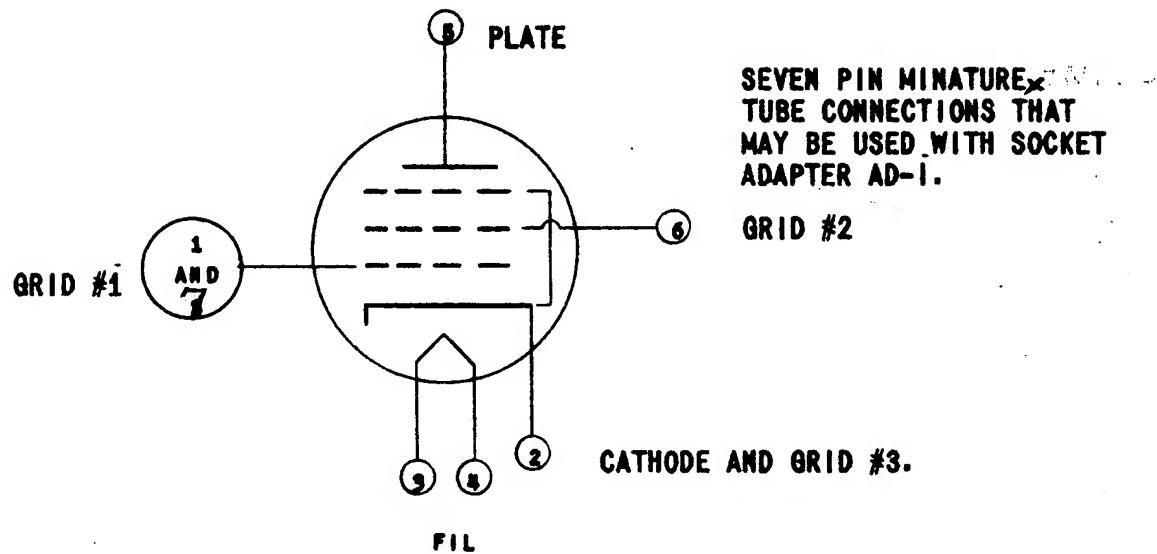
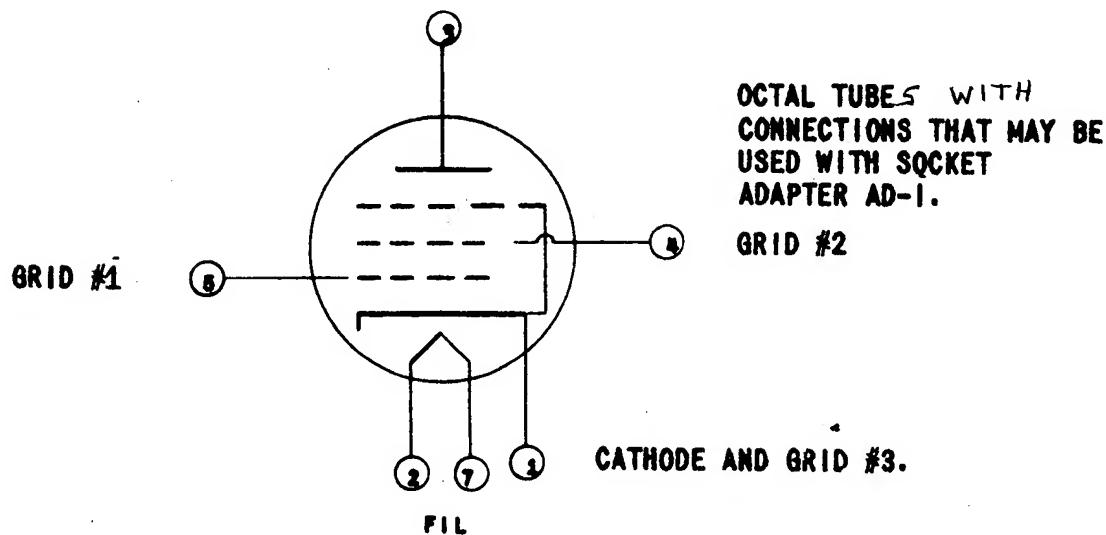
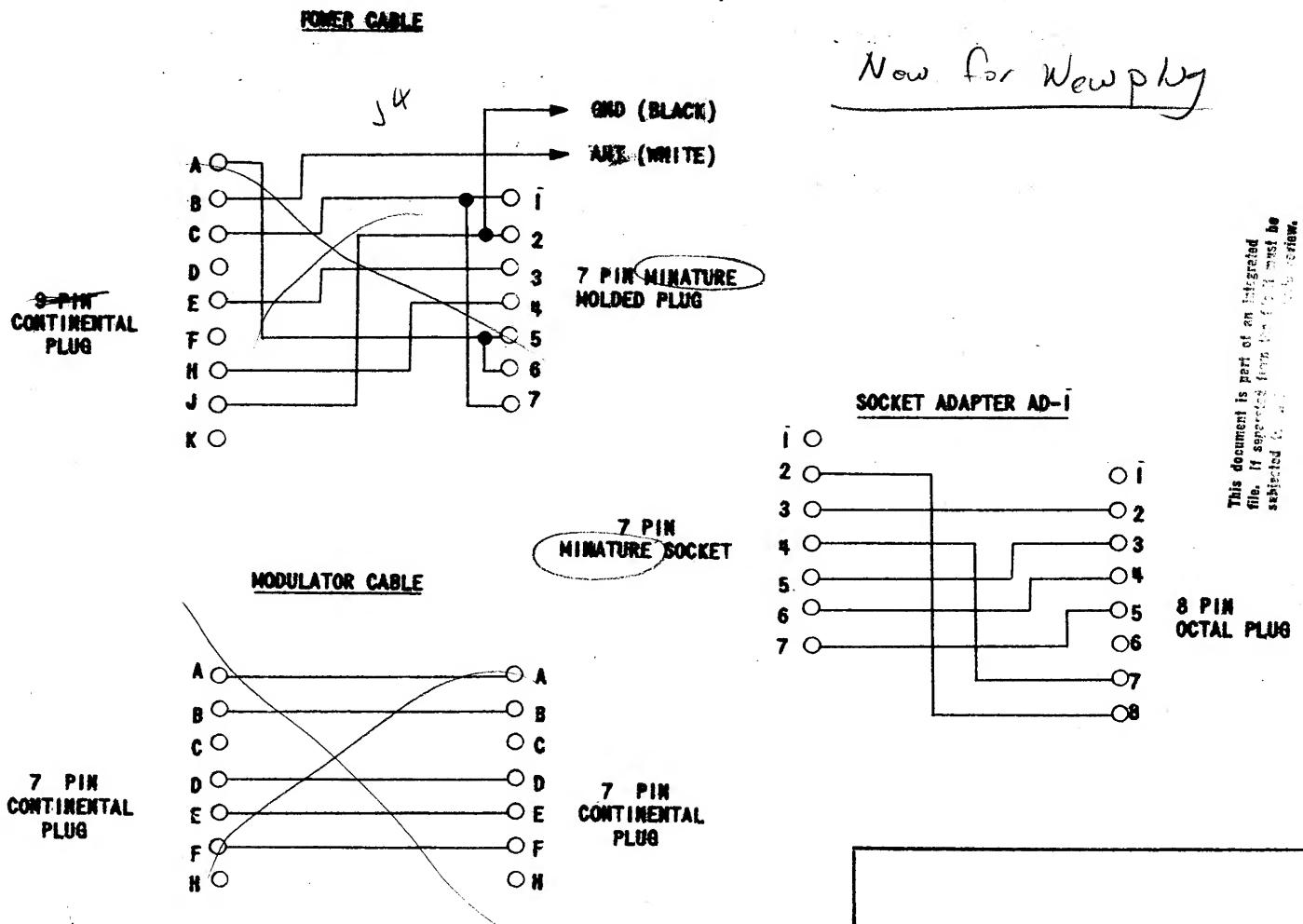


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## F Description

The TA-3 is a transmitter when used in conjunction with a receiver. A beat frequency oscillator (BFO) incorporated in the TA-3 enables any receiver having a short-wave band to receive CW signals.

Since the TA-3 uses power from the receiver and the receiver power output tube for the transmitter tube, the power output will depend on the receiver being used.

Modulator?

The complete TA-3 consists of — units.

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## 2. Characteristics

### 2.1 Physical

#### 2.11 Transmitter and BFO

Weight:

Size :

#### 2.12 Modulator ??

#### 2.13 Accessory Bag

## 2.2 Electrical

### 2.2.1. Frequency range

The frequency range is from 4 to 22 mc in two bands, 4- - , - - 22

### 2.22. Crystals

Crystals operating on the fundamental are to be used below 8 mc. Doubling is to be used from 8 mc to 16 mc. From 16 mc to 22 mc tripling is necessary.

### 2.23 Power Output

The power output depends on the supply voltage, antenna impedance <sup>and</sup> output frequency.

With a supply voltage of 240 volts ("key down") and a 6U6 output tube, the CW power output is about 4 watts.

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#### 2.2.4. Antenna Impedance

Each antenna loading coil contains

8 taps to adjust the antenna

impedances from 70 to 1200 ohms

#### 2.2.5. Beat Frequency Oscillator

The BFO has a mean frequency

of 455 KC and can be varied

$\pm 5$  KC by adjusting the BFO control.

#### 2.2.6. Power Requirements.

All power required is obtained

from the receiver.

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### 3. Theory of Operation.

#### 3.1 General

The audio output tube of the receiver is removed and used as the transmitting tube in the TA-3.

The power required for the transmitter is supplied by the receiver through the cable that connects the transmitter to the receiver.

The audio signal at the receiver is fed through the power cable to the Telex phone jack on the transmitter.

An antenna lead is fed through the power cable from the transmitter through the send-Receive-BFO switch, to the white lead projecting from the power cable plug. The black lead projecting from the power plug cable is the ground lead which is common to the TA-3 chassis and the external ground connection.

### 3.2 Transmitting

The transmitter is a single tube,

crystal controlled, grid-plate oscillator.

The tuning indicator is a neon bulb

connected to the plate of the transmitter

tube through a small capacitor.

When the transmitter is being

tuned, the antenna is disconnected

by placing the antenna top switch

in the tune position.

The antenna top switch, which is

located on top of the plug-in tank coil

is used to provide an impedance match

between the antenna and the plate

tank.

The antenna current is indicated

by a # 331 pilot lamp. This lamp is

a low voltage, low current type (1.3 V, 60ma)

and thus has little effect on the

loading of the transmitter.

Three positions of the antenna

current switch are available for

various values of antenna current.

### 3.4 Receiving

The Send-Receive-BFO switch performs three functions: In position 1, the antenna is connected to the transmitter.

In position 2, the antenna is connected to the receiver with the BFO ON.

In position 3, the antenna is connected to the receiver with the BFO OFF.

[When the operator listens to a voice station, the S-R-BFO switch should be in the R position so that a beat note will not be heard.]?

The BFO coil is slug-tuned and may be adjusted for IF frequencies from about 415 to 555 kcs.

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## 4. Operation

See PP. 7-8 of TA-1A notes

### 4.2 Transmitting

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## 5 Maintenance

### 5.1 Transmitter

Trouble shooting of the transmitter may be done by making voltage and resistance measurements. Total Cathode current of the transmitting tube can be by connecting a 0-100ma DC meter into the external key jack. <sup>With plate voltage equal to 250v</sup> The value of current measured should be about 40 ma.

### 5.2 Beat Frequency Oscillator.

See page 12 Sec 5.2